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SUBJECT: MAJOR PROJECTS: RAILCARS FOR BRAZIL

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1. REDE FERROVIARIA FEDERAL S.A. DIRECTOR BRAGA, IN CONVERSATION WITH CONGEN OFFICER, CONFIRMED THAT CONTRACT WITH YUGOSLAVIA AND RUMANIA HAD BEEN SIGNED AS REPORTED REFTEL. BRAGA INSISTED THAT RAILCARS ARE PART OF BARTER TRANSACTION INVOLVING COFFEE FOR YUGOSLAVIA AND IRON ORE FOR RUMANIA. HE WAS UNABLE TO COMMENT ON ALLEGED ROLE OF ITAMARATY AND MINISTRY OF FINANCE IN DETERMINING PURCHASE ON BASIS LETTER OF INTENT SIGNED BY FORMER REDE PRESIDENT. WE ARE ATTEMPTING THROUGH SEPARATE SOURCES TO VERIFY THIS ALLEGATION.

2. COMMENT: BANCO CENTRAL TRADE STATISTICS FOR PERIOD 1964-72 REVEAL CUMULATIVE BRAZILIAN TRADE SURPLUS OF OVER US$91 MILLION WITH YUGOSLAVIA AND US$8 MILLION WITH RUMANIA. THERE MAY HAVE BEEN SOME DESIRE ON PART OF GOB TO DRAW ON THESE BALANCES. ADDITIONALLY, BRAZIL'S CONCERN ABOUT ITS LARGE 1974 TRADE DEFICIT AND ABOUT SOFTENING INTERNATIONAL
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COMMODITY PRICES MAY HAVE MADE BARTER TRANSACTION

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